### SCHOOL BOARD ACTS

Will Strenuously Oppose Reduction in Levy.

PROF. JENKIN'S STATEMENT

Supervising Principal Says the Pro posed Action Will Cause Session of Schools to be Cut Short-Commit tees Instructed to Prepare Estimates

When the common council meets in special session to consider the annual budget and the school and general tax levy ordinances. President Cooper and other representatives of the school board will be on hand to make a streu-

board will be on hand to make a stren-tion in the school levy.

The matter was brought to the at-tention of the board last night by Sup-ervising Principal Jenkins, who said:
"Gentlemen, some action should be taken by this board in regard to the reduction of the school levy by the council. If the levy is reduced we will have to open our schools next research council. If the levy is reduced we will have to open our schools next session in November, or begin at the regular time and close the session in April. In either case the school session will last seven instead of nine months."

The trustees discussed the matter at length and most of them expressed themselves as being bitterly opposed to the reduction.

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Mr. Barrett's View.

Mr. W. E. Barrett, in speaking on the subject said that he had in mind the introduction in the next session of a cooking course in the eighth grade and High school, and, if possible, the establishment of a practicable business course in the High school grades. He declared that when the pupils graduated from the Newport News High school they should be so fitted and instructed in practicable business that they would be able to enter into the great march of life and make a living for themselves without having to take a year's course in a business school or manual training school. In explanation he cited instances where a number of the young lady graduates of the High school had been compelled to take a course in a business college before they could support themselves in life.

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Further Mr. Barrett said, that if the city fathers decreased instead of increased the school levy for next year the introduction of both courses into the schools would have to be abandoned and the school term reduced.

President Cooper called attention to the fact that the school regulations state that the finance, rules and regulations and the building and supply committees of the board shall meet at the closing of each school session and prepare an estimate on the amount of funds required to properly conduct the city public schools for the following school session and that when the board has acted upon the estimate it shall be presented to the council.

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Afternev Christian insisted upon having against the following. Barrett & Meyer, First National Bark. Chiegens & Marine Bank. Meyers Bros. Elias Peyser, American Exchange Bank. Dr. A. C. Jones. Pocahentas hotel and E. T. lvy.

PICTURES FOR HIGH SCHOOL.

Educational Association Will Make Presents This Afternoon.

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Board to Act.

After the reading of the law by President Cooper, Mr. Graff made a motion that the committees of the school board immediately meet and make out an estimate of the funds required to properly conduct each department of the schools for the session of 1905-06 and that the estimates be submitted to the board in a special session, to be called by the president. The motion was adopted. The estimate will be sent to the council and the president of the board wt.l attend the next council meeting to present it. The trustees met in regular session in the assembly hall of the High school building last night at \$5 o'clock with the following members present: Cooper, chairman; Barrett, Graff, Harrison and Wilkinson.

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Wants Increase in Salary.

The clerk read a communication from Miss Lena Gregory, one of the teachers in the Central school, asking that the school board increase the salary of the teachers in the public schools. Miss Gregory set forth as her reasons for asking the increase is that under the new regime the teachers have to do more work than under the old. Further she said, that the teachers have to devote more time to their old. Further she said, that the teachers have to devote more time to their work than heretofore and that they should receive recompensation for same. The letter was tabled without same. The

discussion.

Supervising Principal Willis A. Jenkins submitted his regular monthly report to the board, mentioning the disposition made of the new desks recently ordered by the board. The section of th

referring to the desks was referred to the building and grounds committee. The remainder of the report was filed

Pilfering in the Schools." President Cooper called Supervising Principal Jenkins' attention to the great amount of pilfering being done in the public schools. He said that a stop should be put to the practice. In reply Professor Jenkins cited several instances where pupils had stolen property from their school mates which had never been received. Earther the

and never been recovered. Further th had never been recovered. Further the principal said that in the Twenty-eighth street school when whittling lessons were given in a certain room, two or three knives were taken by some of the pupils and that it was impossible to detect the offenders.

President Coeper instructed the supervisor to search all pupils in any room where any article had been stolen and punish the guilty parties.

Semi-annual Promotion.

Semi-annual Promotion. When the report of the committee on rules and regulations was called when the report of the committee on rules and regulations was called for, shortly after the opening of the meeting, Mr. Wilkinson, acting chairman of that committee, asked that his report be passed over and taken up in executive session at the end of the meeting. The board complied with the request, but it the conclusion of the meeting. Mr. Wilkinson stated that the report of the committee was in reference to the system of semi-annual promotions and that he would prefer the report to be acted on when all of the members of the board were present. The matter went over.

A number of bills were ordered paid by the board.

The board adjourned shortly after 10 o'clock.

PROPERTY OWNERS SUMMONED.

The Newport News Educational Association will present two handsome pictures to the High School Literary Society and the city' public schools this afternoon at the regular meeting of the High School Literary Society. President Cooper, of the school board, will be present to accept the pictures in behalf of the schools.

The Educational association has given a number of teas recently and the proceeds have been used to purchase the pictures which will be presented this afternoon.

All of the members of the school board have been invited to be present at the meeting and it is expected that a number of the members of the Educational association will also be among the guests.

The Newport News Literary Society.

setts at the shipyard vesterday. The work of repairing the vessel is progressing rapidly and as soon as she has been florted out of the dry deck, her engines will be tested, as they have been almost rebuilt since the ship has been at the shipyard.

Dr. Skelton is Alarmed.
Dr. A. G. Skelton of Bloodfield, says that he has been warned that cersian earlies of Bloodfield are planning to blow him up with dynamite. The solution of the second time this season text Thesday night.

Mr. George White who makes the presentation has a reputation in the theatrieal field that assures excellence of production and he has assembled one of that ever stepped on the boards for that ever stepped on the boards for the com-

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### **HEAVY FINES IMPOSED**

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Wives of Prominent Citizens Were Customers of Joseph and Mensue and Gave Testimony-Special Session of Police Court-No Appeal.

Convicted of peddling without li-cense, M. Joseph and A. M. Mensue, of New York, were fined \$100 and costs each in the police court yesterday af-ternoon. The evidence against the men was clear and the decision was rendered without delay. No appeal rendered without delay. No appeal was noted and the peddlers were given a day or two in which to arrange to pay their fines.

Joseph and Mensuc came here several

Joseph and Mensue came here several days ago and have been making a canvas of the city, selling dainty laces, draperies, etc., at low prices. All went well and the men were doing a fine business until Monday, when Sergeant Reynolds arrested Mensue. The peddler had with him a suit case containing several hundred dollars worth of goods. The arrest of Joseph followed and it developed that a number of the most prominent ladies of the city had

and it developed that a number of the most prominent ladies of the city had been customers of the men.

Mrs. B. W. Crump, wife of Comissioner of the Revenue Crump, gave the information which led to the arrest of Mensue and among those who made purchases were Mrs. J. D. G. Brown, Mrs. Frank Henley, Mrs. W. W. Harwood, Mrs. E. W. Milstead and Mrs. D. G. Smith. G. Smith.

A special session of the police court was held yesterday afternoon to try the cases and several of the above ladies testified.

Mr. Allan D. Jones, counsel for the Merchants' Association, prosecuted the case and Mr. Hunter Boyd Gold repre-sented the defendants.

### WRIT OF ERROR REFUSED.

Max Felstein Must Pay Fine For Selling Liquer on Sunday.

The Court of Appeals yesterday refused a writ of error in the case of Max Felstein, the Warwick county saleon keeper who was fined 3100 in the Corporation Court for opening his Parrecus on Sunday. The case was taken up on the ground that Felstein was tried out of his community and denied the right of trial by a jury of his vicinage.

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Messrs, Jenes, Berkeley and Garrow, atterneys for Felstein, have asked for a rehearing in the case.

A writ of error was also refused in the case of Jarrell Bros. taken upon the same ground.

### Theatrical

George Ade's musical satire, "The Sultan of Sulta," was presented to a delighted audience at the Academy of Music last night while the rain poured in torrents out of doors. The production is offered by Henry W. Savage and, like everything Mr. Savage sends out, is complete in almost every detail. The company is an excellent one, gorgeous costumes are worn and the two stage settings used are unusually wo stage settings used are unusually handsome

All of the members of the school board have been invited to be present at the meeting and it is expected that a number of the members of the Educational association will also be among the guests.

The Newport News Literary Society will meet in regular session in the assembly hall of the High school building this afternoon at 1 o'clock. The pupils have arranged a good program to be rendered during the meeting and several speeches will be made by the members of the school board.

BOYS IN CONFERENCE.

Interesting Meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Last Night.

Wo especially pretty nuscical numbers. Mr. Wathall's score suits the piece and is above the average. The story of "The Sultan of Sulu" deals with incidents which are supsected that a supplied to the pupils have arranged a good program to be rendered during the meeting and several speeches will be made by the inembers of the school board.

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at the Academy Menday night, will, tegether with her big musical travesty company, present one of the most re-cent successes entitled. "The Sambo Girl" The piece comes heralded with until The piece comes heralded with much acclaim from many cities where "The Tanguay" has established a reputation for originality in comedy nactions that to say the least, is unique. Eva Tanguay is a particularly gifted comedienne, with a style peculiar to herself alone.

"The Sandic Girl." like all musical comedies does not alone its amusical contesting does not al

comedies does not claim to contain a plot; it is just a bright witty, ebullient play, chock full of swinging, concerted and selo numbers and any number of and solo numbers and any number of interpolations of syncopated netodies. ICW so popular with the amusement-lower public. It was written by those two eminent playbuilders. Messrs. Harry B. Smith and Gastay Kerker, and the book of the former, as well as the score of the latter has been referred to as their best collaboration.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETIES

Mass Meeting to be Held at Christian Church Tonight.

There will be a mass meeting of the members of the Christian Endeavor Unions of this city and Hampton at the Thirtieth street Christian church

tonight.

Several well known speakers will make addresses and a special musical program has been arranged for the pecasion

B'Nai B'Rith Lodge.

The Edward N. Calisch Lodge, B'Nai B'Rith, gave an enjoyable smoker at the todge room last night. The hall was filled, many visitors from Hampton and Norfolk being present. Speeches were made by several members.



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